

**TOWN PLAN & ZONING COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING
June 20, 2013**

I. CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Barry Berson called the regular meeting of the Town Plan & Zoning Commission to order at 7:01 P. M. in the Main Meeting Room at Bloomfield Town Hall. The following members were also present: Abraham Ford, Fannie Gabriel, Pamela Gray, Alfred LeFebvre, Byron Lester, Elene Needelman, Nickolas Panke, and Barbara Reid. Charlotte Gregg was absent. Also present were Thom Hooper, Director of Planning; Lisa Gray, Recording Secretary; and other interested parties.

II. APPROVAL OF MAY 23, 2013 MINUTES

Commissioner Gabriel moved to approve the minutes of the May 23, 2013 meeting, as amended. Commissioner Panke seconded the motion. Commissioner LeFebvre abstained. The motion passed.

III. APPLICATION OF MATHER CORPORATION FOR A SPECIAL PERMIT AND REVISED SITE PLAN TO ALLOW OUTSIDE STORAGE AT THE CORNER OF SOUTHWOOD DRIVE AND WEST DUDLEY TOWN ROAD, 1-2 ZONE (continued from 5/23/13)

Mr. Hooper reported that the Inland Wetlands and Watercourses Commission approved this application at their regular meeting of June 17, 2013, so it was appropriate for this commission to act on this application.

Commissioner Panke moved to close the public hearing. Commissioner Gabriel seconded the motion, and it unanimously carried.

Commissioner Panke moved to approve the application of Mather Corporation for a Special Permit and Revised Site Plan to allow outside storage at the corner of Southwood Drive and West Dudley Town Road, as continued from the May 23, 2013 meeting, to include the revised map and comments and recommendations from town staff. Commissioner Gabriel seconded the motion, and it unanimously carried.

IV. APPLICATION OF HARTFORD WESLEYAN CHURCH FOR A REVISED SITE PLAN AT 7 WALSH STREET, GWB ZONE

Dave Ziaks from F.A. Hesketh explained that the Applicant is seeking approval to make site improvements so that Hartford Wesleyan Church can relocate and move into the property, which was originally approved by this commission for use by a church in 2008. At that time, the church that had received approval did not complete the site improvements. Improvements proposed by Hartford Wesleyan Church include general clean-up, pavement repair, parking lot delineations, and new signage on the outside, as well as renovations on the inside to bring it up to code.

Mr. Hooper reiterated what Mr. Ziaks said about the previous approval in 2008 and improvements needed. He noted that any action taken tonight would serve to reapprove the original 2008 plan so that work can be completed.

Commissioner LeFebvre moved to approve the Hartford Wesleyan Church Revised Site Plan at 7 Walsh Street, as presented. Commissioner Gabriel seconded the motion, and it unanimously carried.

V. BLOOMFIELD CENTER PLAN

Mr. Hooper presented the highlights of the Bloomfield Center Plan, including the four R's: Retail, Residential, Restaurants, and Recreation. The Economic Development Commission (EDC) and the consultant hired for the project will meet on July 9 to prioritize items in the plan. He also stated that there are some grant opportunities available for the Filley Park project that the Town may be able to take advantage of. A copy of the final plan will be posted on the Town's web page and in the library.

VI. ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Gray moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:21 P. M. The motion was seconded and approved.

Byron Lester, Secretary